

**Regular Public Meeting
September 21, 2021
AGENDA**

I. Flag Salute / Sunshine Statement / Call to Order / Roll Call

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (*N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*), adequate notification of this meeting has been provided by advertising in the *Star Ledger* and *Westfield Leader* and posting notice on the front door of Lincoln School and filing notice with the Borough Clerk. I hereby call to order the Regular Public Meeting, Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 7:00 pm.

<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mrs. Barnes (Adrienne)		
Mr. DelConte (Albert)		
Miss Guerriero (Christine)		
Mrs. Ridente (Denise)		
Ms. Roland (Tracey)		
Mr. Ryan (Timothy)		
Mrs. Scepkowski (Maureen)		
Mr. Trentacosta (Ralph)		
Vacancy		

Administration:

Dr. Teresa Quigley, Chief School Administrator
 Dr. Dennis R. Frohnafel, Interim SBA/Board Secretary
 John G. Geppert, Jr., Esq., Board Attorney

II. Executive Session

Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education determines it is necessary to meet in Executive Session on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, to discuss **Legal** and **Personnel** matters; and

Be It Further Resolved, that these matters will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Time: _____

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session and reconvene Regular Meeting . . .

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Time: _____

III. Approval of Minutes

Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session held on August 17, 2021, as submitted.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Roll Call: _____

IV. Garwood BOE Remembers . . .

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V. Gifted & Talented Presentation

VI. ABR Report (Dr. Quigley and Mrs. Emmons)

VII. Committee Reports

- A. Budget/Finance/Facilities
- B. Education/Personnel
- C. Strategic Planning/Policy
- D. Website Committee

VIII. Liaison Reports

A	Clark Board of Education	Christine Guerriero
B	Garwood Educational Foundation	Maureen Scepkowski
C	Garwood PTA	Andrienne Barnes
D	Garwood Borough Council Representative	Albert DelConte
E	Union County Ed Services Commission	Maureen Scepkowski
F	Union County School Boards Association	Timothy Ryan
G	Union County Vo-Tech	Timothy Ryan
H	Garwood Seniors Association	
I	New Jersey School Boards Association	Christine Guerriero

IX. Superintendent's Report

X. Public Comment (Bylaw 9322)

Public Participation Meetings of the Garwood Board of Education are open to the public and all members of the community should feel free to attend. Public participation shall be governed by the following rules: **1)** A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, municipality of residence, and group affiliation, if applicable; **2)** Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration; **3)** No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard; **4)** All statements, questions, or inquiries shall be directed to the presiding officer and any questions or inquiries directed by a participant to another Board member shall be redirected to the presiding officer who shall determine if such statement, question, or inquiry shall be addressed by the presiding officer on behalf of the Board or by the individual Board member; **5)** the presiding officer may interrupt, warn, and/or terminate a participant's statement, question, or inquiry when it is too lengthy.

XI. Resolutions

- A. Budget/Finance/Facilities
- B. Education/Personnel
- C. Strategic Planning/Policy

XII. Board Comments

XIII. Adjournment

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A. Finance/Budget/Facilities

A1 Be It Further Resolved, that the Board of Education and Board Secretary certify that no budgetary line item account has been over-expended and that there are sufficient funds available to meet District financial obligations for the 2021/22 school year.

A2 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim SBA/Board Secretary, approve the payment of bills and claims:

June 30, 2021	\$189,351.23
August 13 thru Sept 16, 2021	\$1,032,127.14

A3 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator and Interim SBA/Board Secretary, approves budget transfers #8620 thru #8643, total transfers \$275,981.00.

A4 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the Use of School Facilities:

PTA, use of cafeteria and playground, Sept 7, 2021 for Teacher Breakfast, 6:45 am to 10:00 am; Sept 8, 2021 for Kindergarten Orientation, 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm; Sept 22, 2021 for Book Fair set-up, from 3:15 pm to 4:00 pm; Sept 23, 2021 for Book Fair, from 12:45 pm to 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm; Sept 28, 2021 for PTA meeting n cafeteria, from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

Eighth Grade Parents, use of front of school and playground, from 12:45 pm to 1:15 pm, for Pretzel Sale.

Budget/Finance/Facilities resolutions A1 thru A4				
Motion:	Second:			
	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Barnes (Adrienne)				
Mr. DelConte (Albert)				
Mrs. Ridente (Denise)				
Ms. Roland (Tracey)				
Mr. Ryan (Timothy)				
Mrs. Scepkowski (Maureen)				
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B. Education/Personnel

Education

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B1 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the following 2021/22 out-of-district placements:

<i>Student ID#</i>	<i>Placement</i>	<i>Tuition</i>	<i>Effective Date(s)</i>
6261388054	Summit BOE	\$41,770 + \$1,798 ESY	Sept 2021/June 2022

B2 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the following October 2021 **field trips**:

1. Van Thun Farms (Kindergarten)

B3 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve approve the submission of the ARP IDEA application and subsequent receipt of 2021/22 ARP IDEA funds:

ARP IDEA (Basic)	-	\$16,278
ARP IDEA Preschool	-	\$1,388

Personnel

B4 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, accept the **resignation** of Amanda Cohen, Special Education Teacher, effective August 31, 2021.

B5 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the **mentors** for the 2021/22 school year, in accordance with GEA negotiated contract (\$550 each):

1. Matthew Burke (Lia DiPiazza)
2. Diane Leshowitz (Nicole Dencker)

B6 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the employment of the following **certificated staff**, for the 2021/22 school year, effective September 1, 2021 thru June 30, 3022:

1. **Michelle Coyle**, School Social Worker, salary \$59,637 (MA/Step 5); Local funding \$45,137, acct #11-000-219-104-000; ESSER II funding \$14,500, acct #20-484-100-100-000
2. **Nicole Dencker**, Special Education Teacher, \$51,237 (BA/Step 1); Local funding \$29,957, acct #11-213-100-101-000; Title I funding \$25,280, acct #20-231-100-101-000

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3. **Lia DiPiazza**, Physical Education Teacher (0.6 FTE), salary \$30,742 (BA/Step 1)

B7 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the employment of the following *substitutes* (Teachers, Paraprofessionals, Nurse, Secretary), for the 2021/22 school year, effective September 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2022, at the approved daily rate):

1. Carrie Bree
2. Denise Coates
3. Jennifer Polizzi
4. Vanessa Schubring

B8 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the employment of Marci Krasny, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, for the 2021/22 school year, October 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2022, Employment Contract approved by the Executive County Superintendent, September 15, 2021

B9 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the employment of Dr. Dennis R. Frohn Apfel, Fiscal Analyst, at \$80.00 per hour, as needed, effective October 1, 2021, total cost not to exceed \$3,500.

B10 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the reassignment of Gina D’Archi, from P/T paraprofessional to F/T paraprofessional with benefits, salary \$20,111, prorated, effective October 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2022.

Education/Personnel B1 thru B10				
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	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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Mr. DelConte (Albert)				
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C. Strategic Planning/Policy

C1 Be It Resolved, that the Garwood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, approve the *first* reading of the following revised/new policies:

- Policy 5141.10 Face Coverings
- Policy 5141.11 Vaccination and Testing
- Policy 6162.4 Community Resources
- Policy 6162.5 Research
- Policy 6163.1 Media Center/Library
- Policy 6164.1 Intervention and Referral Services for General Education Pupils
- Policy 6164.2 Guidance Services
- Policy 6164.4 Child Study Team

Strategic Planning/Policy resolutions C1				
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